

**Notice of Finding of  
No Significant Impact and Notice of Intent  
to Request Release of Funds**

Date: February 12, 2008

Grantee: Sullivan County

Address: 14 Main Street, Newport, New Hampshire 03773

Contact: Gregory Chanis, County Manager (603) 863-2560

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the GRANTEE.

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about February 29, 2008, the GRANTEE, will request CDFA/CDBG release CDBG Program Funds for the following project:

A \$480,000 loan from Capital Regional Development Council, supplemented by an additional \$170,000 in CRDC funds, to Wainshal Partners LLC, which will rehabilitate the historic Wainshal Mill, also known as Monadnock Mills No. 2 and 6, in Claremont, New Hampshire. The property, which contains over 62,000 square feet of floor space, will house at least two new businesses that have committed to the creation of over 60 new jobs.

Total project cost is approximately \$16,650,000.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The GRANTEE has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. This determination is based on the fact that Wainshal Partners LLC has obtained all permits required, has actively consulted with applicable State and Federal agencies, and will adhere to all applicable regulations. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (PL91-190) is not required. No further environmental review will be conducted prior to the Request for Release of CDBG funds.

Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Sullivan County Commissioners Office, 14 Main Street, Newport N.H. 03773 and may be examined or copied weekdays 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**


Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the undersigned. All comments received by February 28, 2008 will be considered by the Grantee prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

## **RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Gregory Chanis certifies to CDFA/CDBG that in his capacity as County Manager he consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of this certification is that upon its approval the Grantee may use CDBG program funds and CDFA will have satisfied its responsibilities of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

CDFA/CDBG will accept objections to its release of funds and the GRANTEE'S certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the GRANTEE; (b) the GRANTEE has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by CDFA/CDBG; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to CDFA/CDBG, 14 Dixon Ave, Suite 102, Concord, NH 03301. Potential objectors should contact CDFA/CDBG (226-2170) to verify the actual last day of the objection period, which is expected to be on or about March 17, 2008.

  
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